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## TO THE COURT, ALL PARTIES AND THEIR COUNSEL OF RECORD:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on January 28, 2008, the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation ("JPML") filed Conditional Transfer Order 50 ("CTO 50") in In re Guidant Corp. Implantable Defibrillators Products Liability Litigation. This Order conditionally transfers this action, Saad v. Guidant Corporation et al., to the District of Minnesota ("MDL") and assigns it to the Honorable Donovan W. Frank. A copy of CTO 50 is attached as Exhibit A.

Defendants Guidant Corporation, Guidant Sales Corporation, Endovascular Technologies, Inc. and Boston Scientific Corporation's (collectively "Guidant") Motion to Stay Pending Transfer to MDL Court, which Plaintiffs have opposed, is currently set for hearing before Your Honor on February 20, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. Defendants' Motion to Stay addresses similar jurisdictional issues to those raised by Plaintiffs' pending Motion for Remand, which Defendants have opposed and which is also scheduled for hearing on February 20, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. This Notice supports Defendants' position that pretrial deadlines should be stayed and that any decision on Plaintiffs' Motion for Remand be deferred at this time to allow the JPML to resolve issues relating to the transfer of this case to the MDL.

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